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TAMPA

ARMSTRONG STATE

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	TAMPA (1-4-0)	0	0	0	
	ARMSTRONG STATE (3-1-0)	0	2	2	



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SAVANNAH, Ga. - Armstrong State University sophomore forward **Martha Trimbach**'s two second-half goals helped the Pirates cap a historic evening on Wednesday in a 2-0 women's soccer victory over the University of Tampa.

SCORING SUMMARY

- 2nd - 72:07 - Trimbach, Martha (Armstrong State)
- 2nd - 81:53 - Trimbach, Martha (Armstrong State)

Armstrong State (3-1) was hosting the first night match in school history on Wednesday night - and the match almost did not happen because of the late formation of tropical storm Julia, but the storm pushed past Savannah enough for the match to take place. When it did, a school-record crowd of 721 fans watched the No. 22-ranked Pirates defeat the Spartans (1-4) to open up its 2016 home campaign.

At first it was the woodwork stealing the headlines as three times in the first 13 minutes the Pirates hit the crossbar with shots. Despite outshooting Tampa, the match went to halftime scoreless as Armstrong State enjoyed a 14-3 edge in shots.

Trimbach would finally give the Pirates the lead in the 73rd minute as she took a throughball from freshman **Ashley Lewis**, shooting a low shot that Tampa keeper Sydney Ross got a piece of, but could not prevent from going into the net inside the far post for her first goal of the season and the 1-0 advantage.

She would tack on the second goal of the match in the 82nd minute, getting onto a loose ball just at the top of the box and driving home a shot into the upper 90 for the 2-0 lead and the victory. The match is the first time that Trimbach has scored multiple goals for the Pirates.

"First of all, what a great night for soccer in the Savannah community," Armstrong State head coach Eric Faulconer said. "What tremendous support from our area supporters and our vocal student body. The record may not reflect it, but when we get a win over an elite program like Tampa, it's significant. I thought we did a great job defending some of their personality players, we got strong midfield play and obviously it was a fantastic night from sophomore **Martha Trimbach**. This could really be a breakout game for her. I really love our balance this year offensively as we've had seven different goal scorers."

Armstrong State would finish the match with a 23-6 edge in shots. Ross made six saves in net for the Spartans, while Pirate keeper **Erica Laurens** made one save in net in her second consecutive shutout. Each team had seven corner kicks in the match and the Pirates were whistled for seven fouls, compared to six for Tampa. Armstrong State was offside twice in the match and Tampa was offside once.

The 721 fans eclipsed the previous school record of 445 fans, set against Tampa in the NCAA DII Quarterfinals on November 20th, 2011.



GAME LEADERS	
TAMPA	
G:	N/A
A:	N/A
Sh:	Robyn-Anne Whittaker - 2
Sv:	Sydney Ross - 6
ARMSTRONG STATE	
G:	Martha Trimbach - 2
A:	Ashley Lewis - 1
Sh:	2 Players (#2 , #19) - 5
Sv:	Erica Laurens - 1

TEAM STATS		
TAMPA	ARMSTRONG STATE	
6 (1)	Shots (on goal)	23 (8)
6	Saves	1
6	Fouls	7
7	Corner Kicks	7
1	Offsides	2

FULL STATS



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